

REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed August 18, 2008 the Examiner noted that claims 1-10 and 15 were pending, objected to claims 1, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9 and 15 and rejected claims 2, 4, 7 and 10. Claims 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 and 10 have been amended, claims 1, 6, 8 and 15 have been canceled and, thus, in view of the forgoing, claims 2-5, 7, 9 and 10 remain pending for reconsideration which is requested. No new matter has been added. The Examiner's rejections are traversed below.

In the Action the Examiner indicated on page 2 that claims 2, 4, 7 and 10 would be allowable if rewritten into independent form. These claims have been so rewritten and allowance is requested.

It is submitted that the claims are therefore in a condition suitable for allowance. An early Notice of Allowance is requested.

If any further fees, other than and except for the issue fee, are necessary with respect to this paper, the U.S.P.T.O. is requested to obtain the same from deposit account number 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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